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The contribution of long-range transport and secondary organic aerosol to $\text{PM}_{2.5}$ in Pittsburgh

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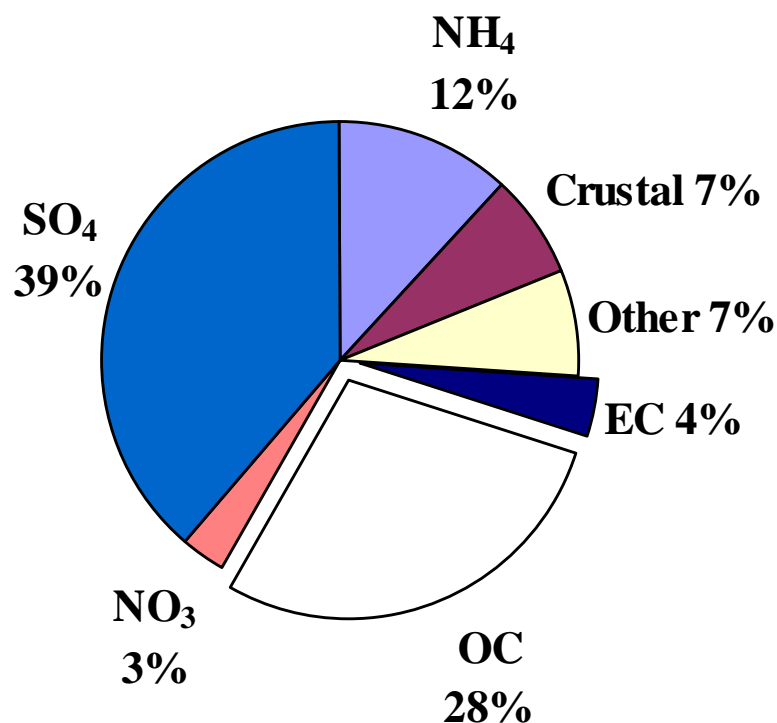


Outline

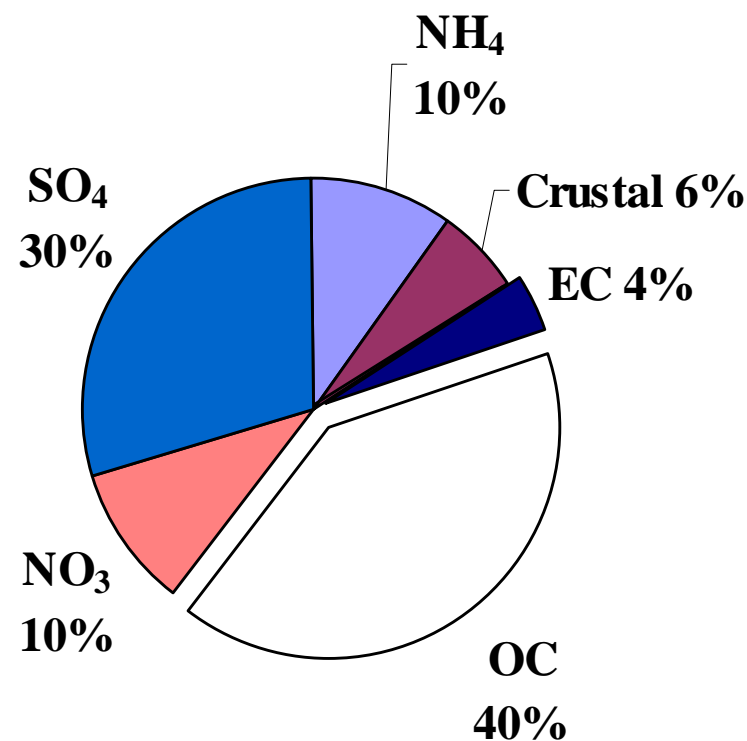
- Motivation and Definitions.
- Sampling methods of Carbonaceous material at PAQS.
- Carbonaceous material composition for July 2001.
- Carbonaceous material composition from July 2001 to February 2002.



PM_{2.5} composition PAQS.

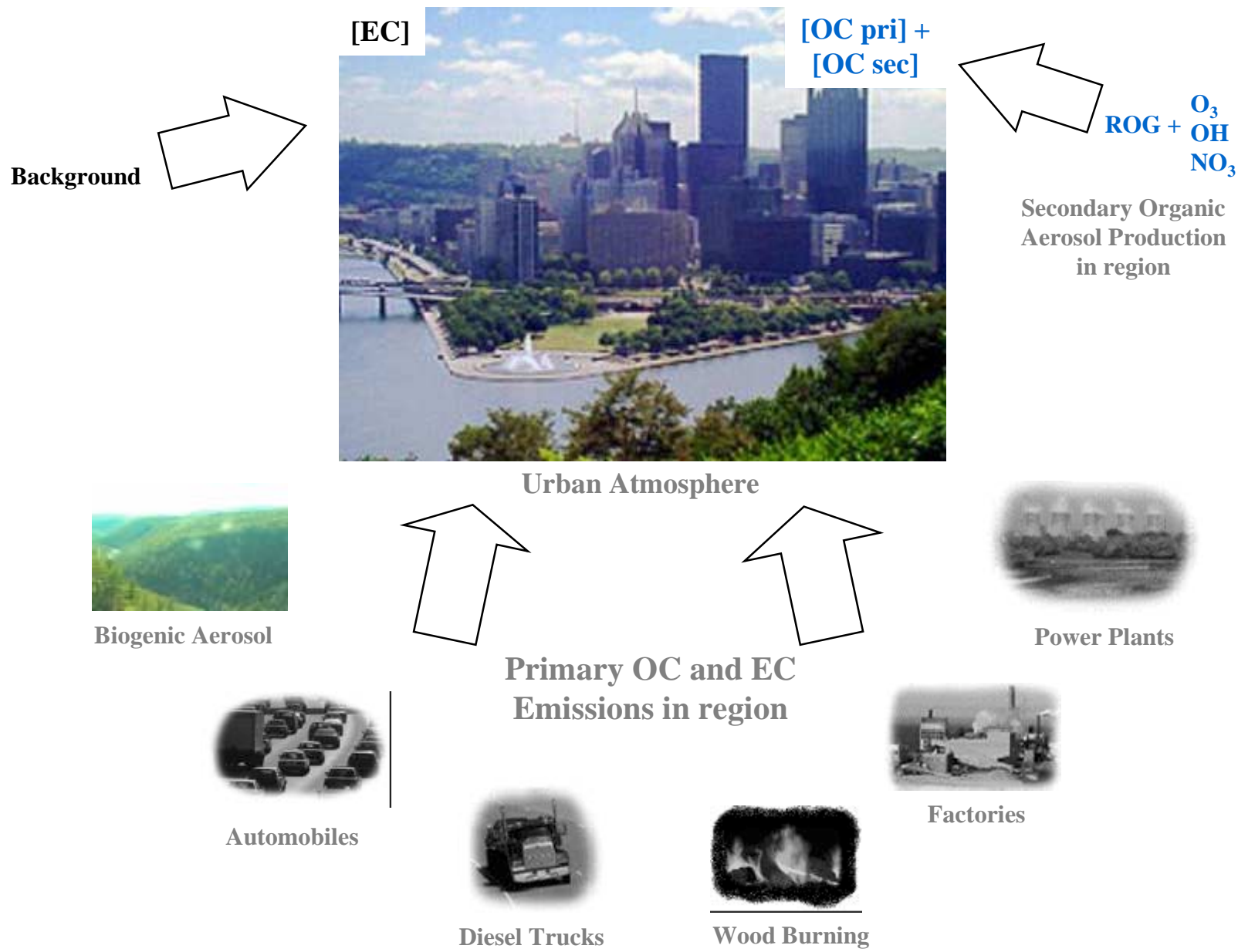


July 2001, 20 µg/m³



December 2001, 10 µg/m³

OC/EC Sources





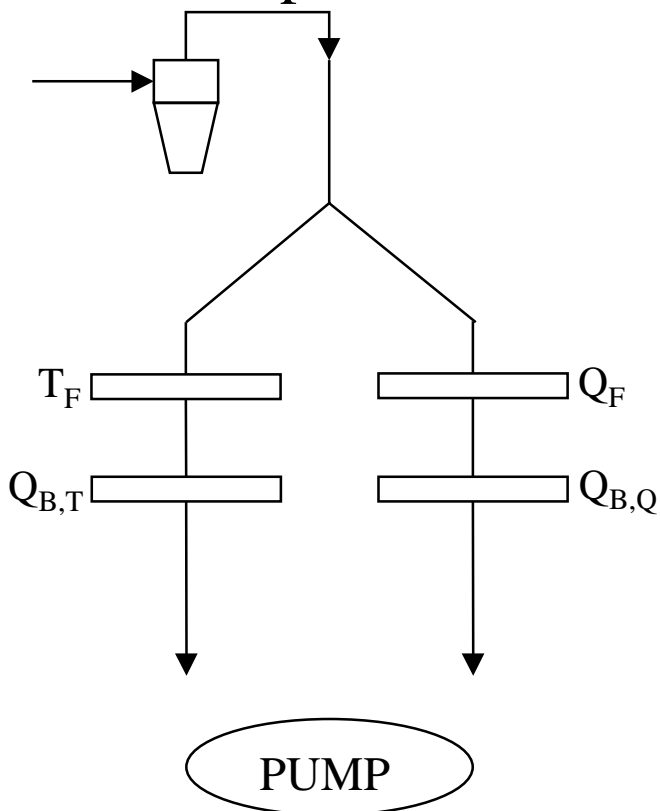
PAQS Central sampling site



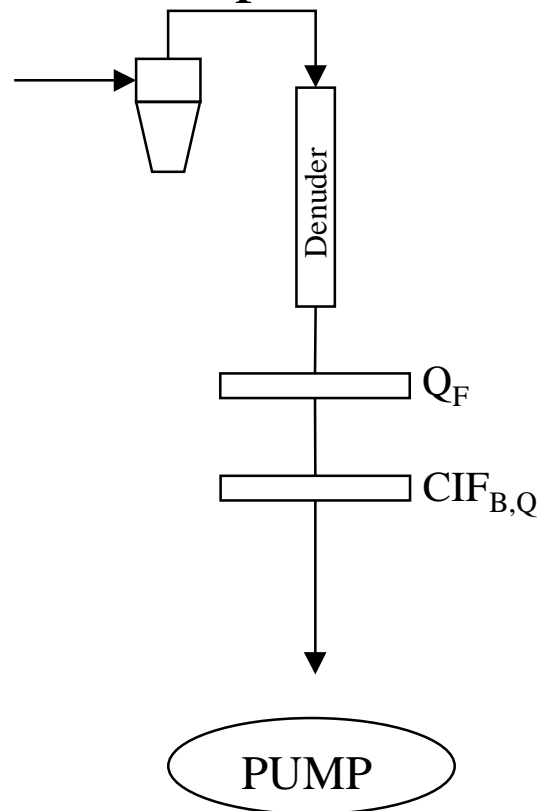


OC and EC Sampler Configurations (PAQS)

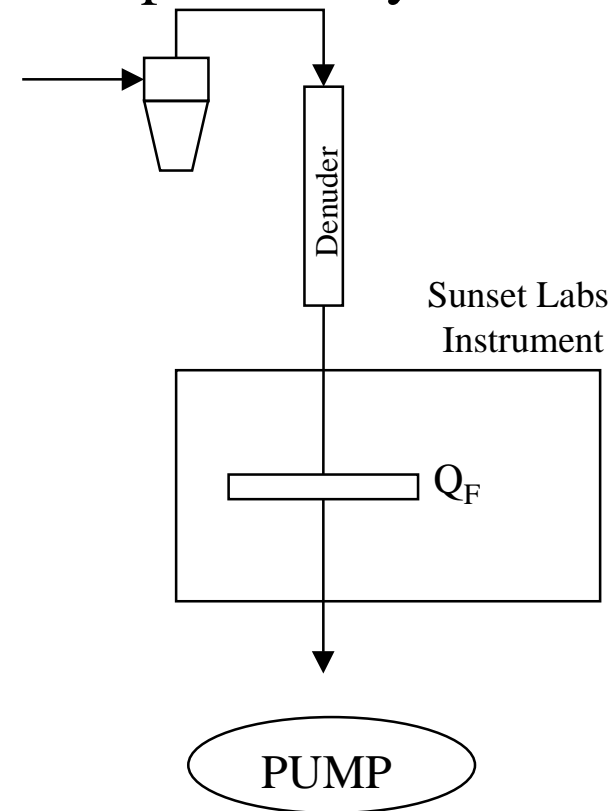
Undenuded
Sampler



Denuded
Sampler

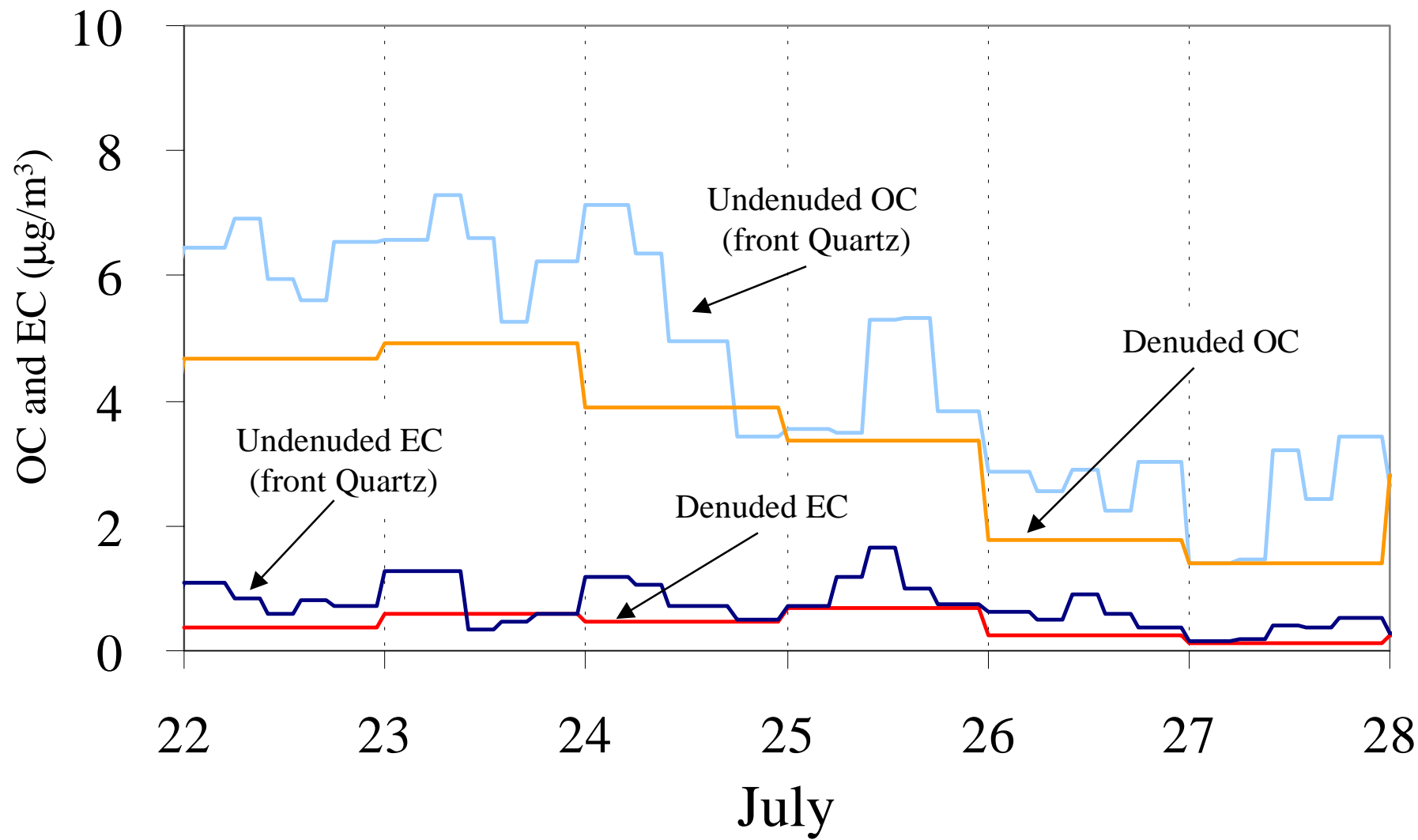


In-situ
Sampler-Analyzer



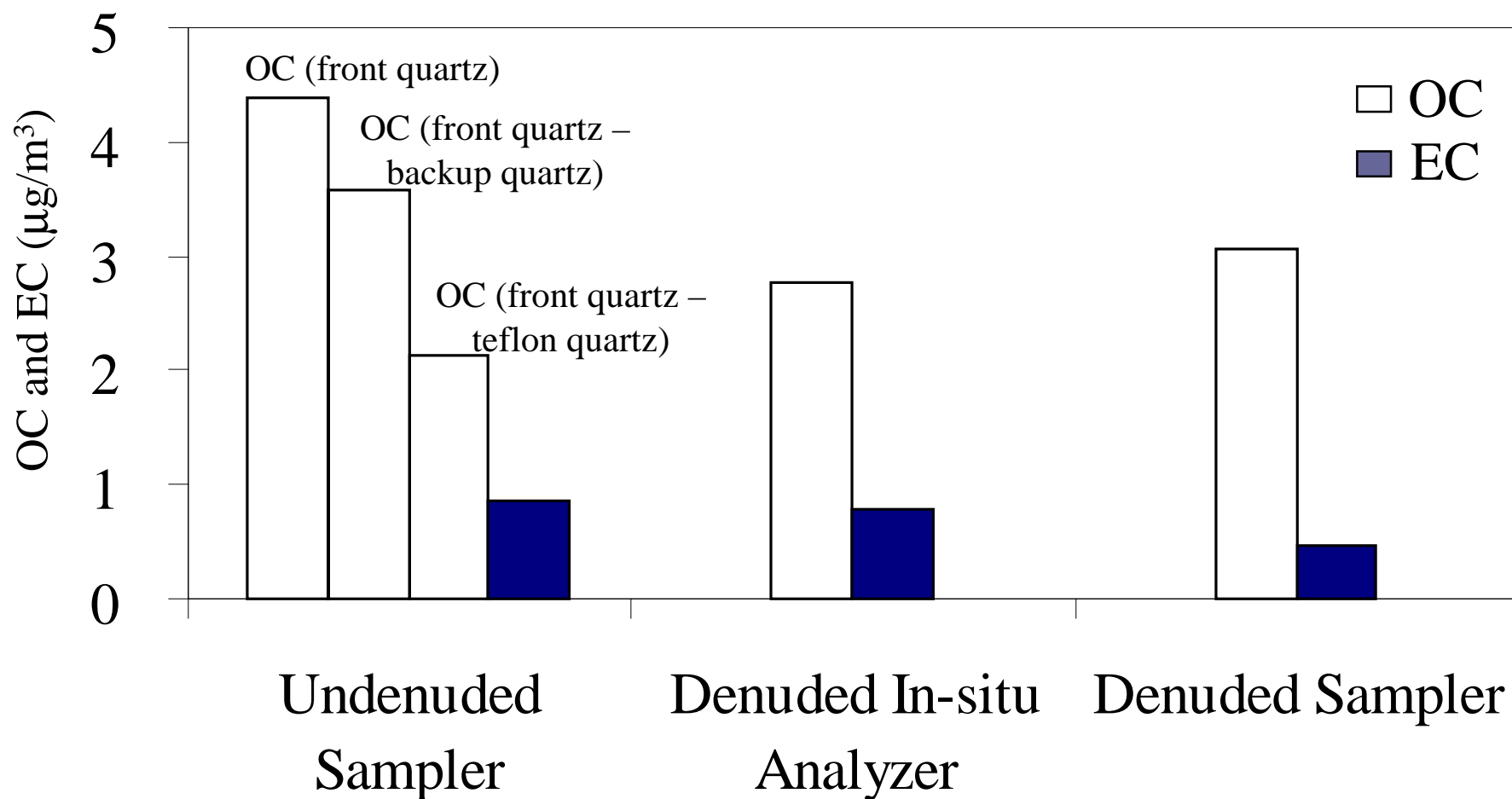


OC and EC Measurements (PAQS, July 2001)





Average OC and EC concentrations (PAQS, July 2001)



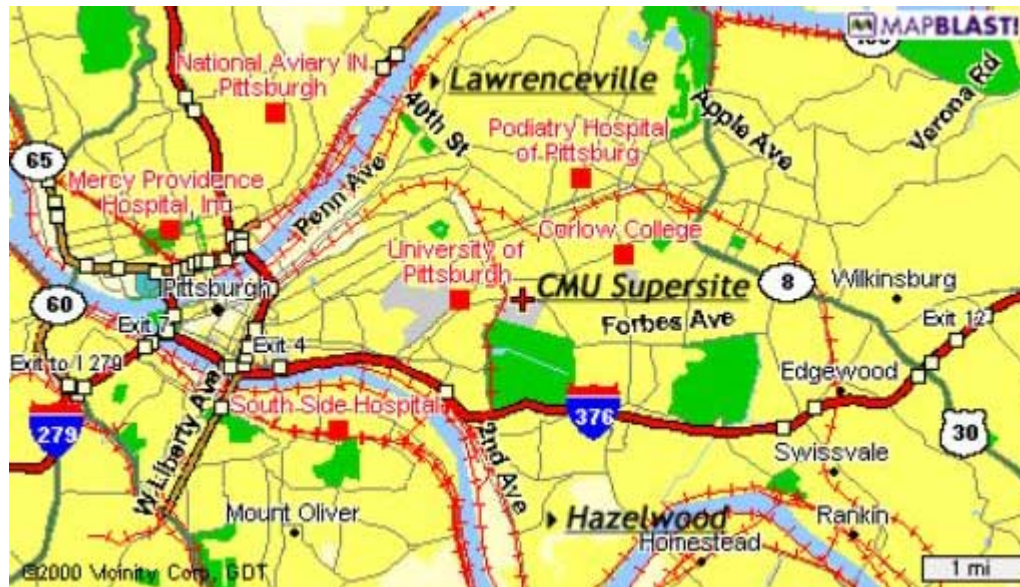


Questions?

- Where is carbonaceous material coming from?
 - Regional or Local?
- What fraction of the measured organic carbon is primary and secondary?

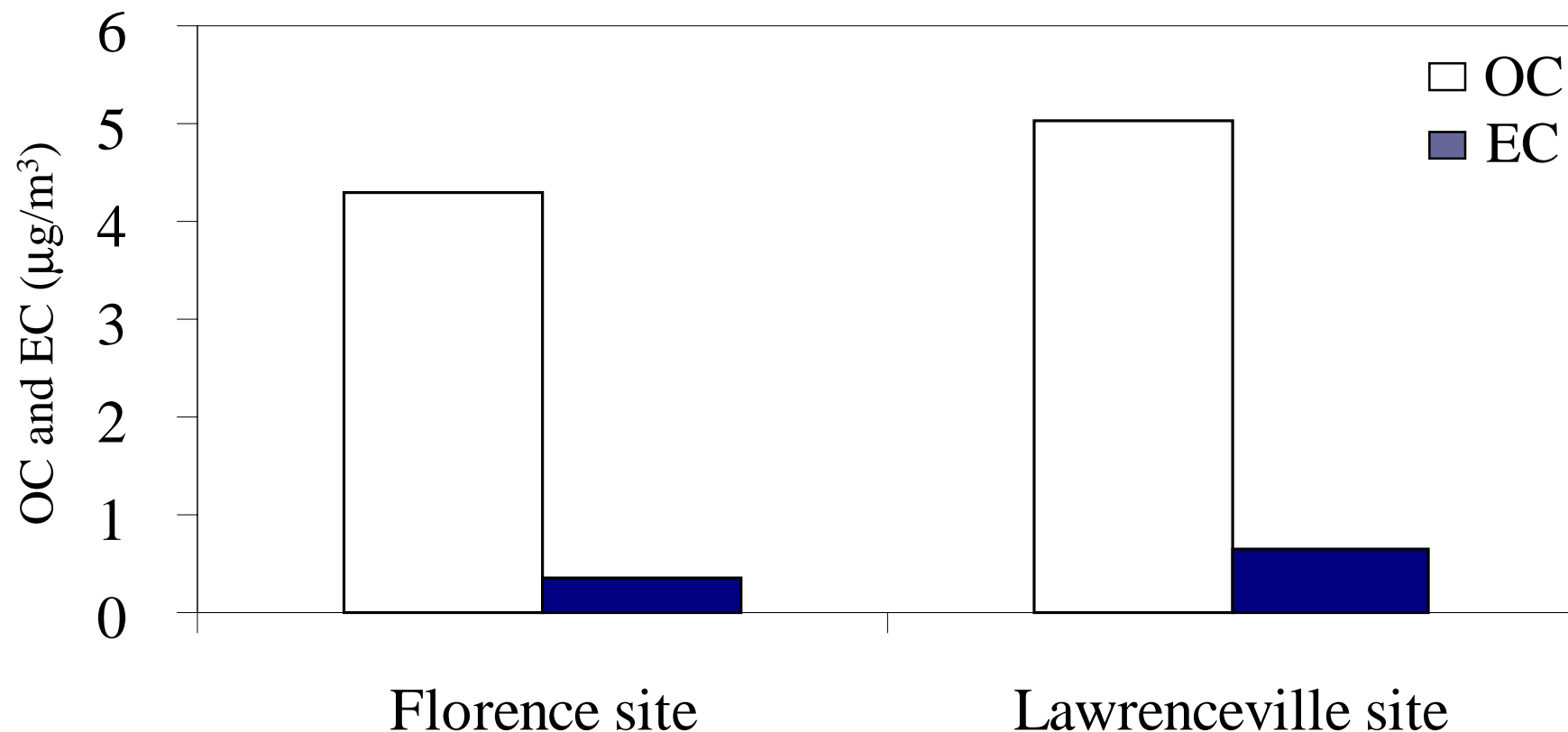


Sampling Sites





Regional Contribution of OC and EC to Pittsburgh



- Around 80% of carbonaceous material in Pittsburgh during July 2001 was due to long transport processes



Primary vs. Secondary OC

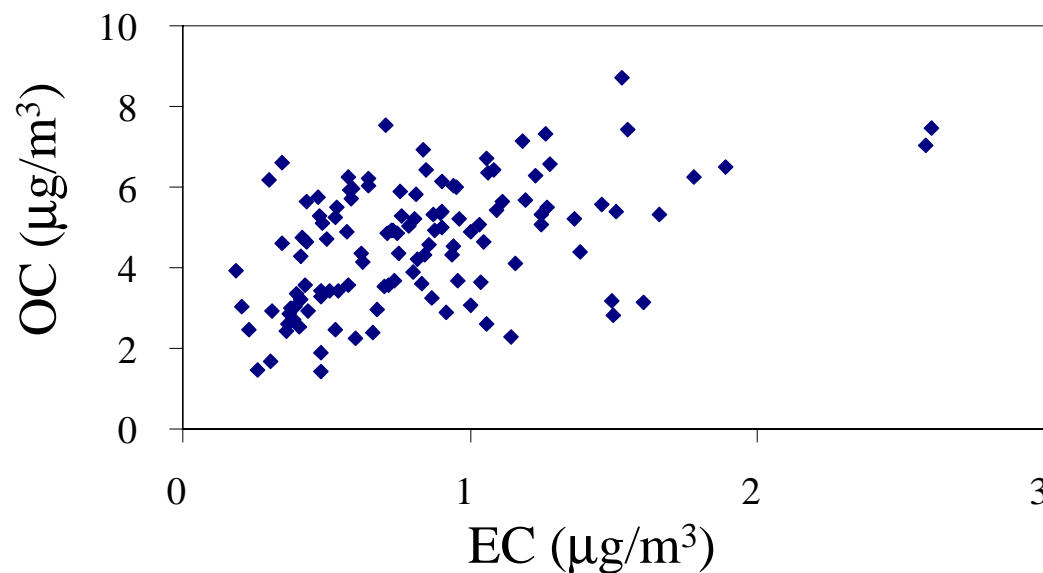
- EC can be used as tracer for primary OC.

$$\text{OC}|_{\text{secondary}} = \text{OC}|_{\text{total}} - \text{EC}|_{\text{total}} * \text{OC/EC}|_{\text{emitted}}$$

- Ambient Samples ($\text{OC}|_{\text{total}}$ and $\text{EC}|_{\text{total}}$)
- Determine ratio of OC/EC primary emissions.
($\text{OC/EC}|_{\text{emitted}}$)

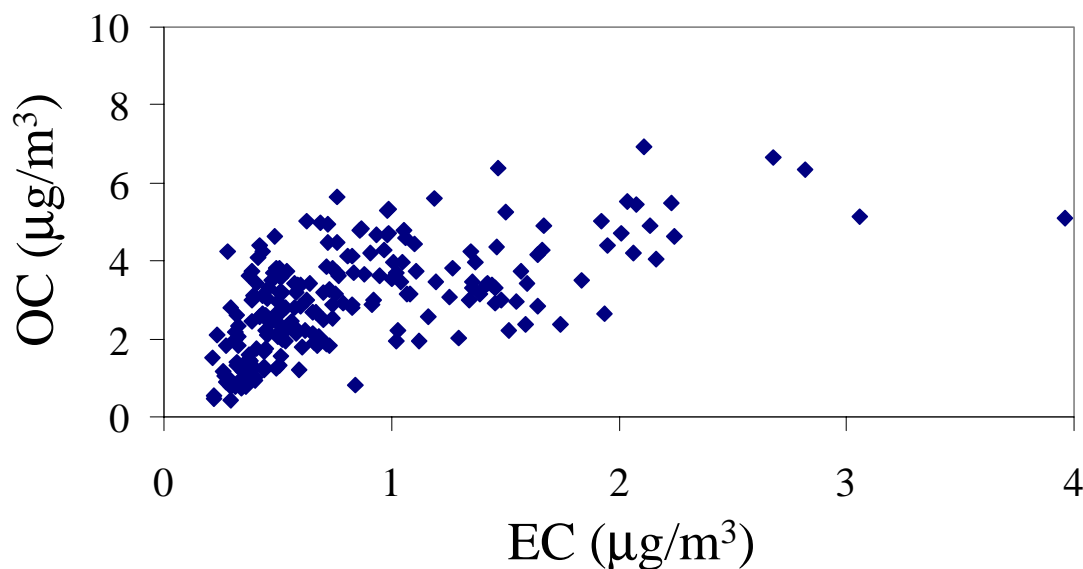


OC and EC high resolution measurements, July 2001



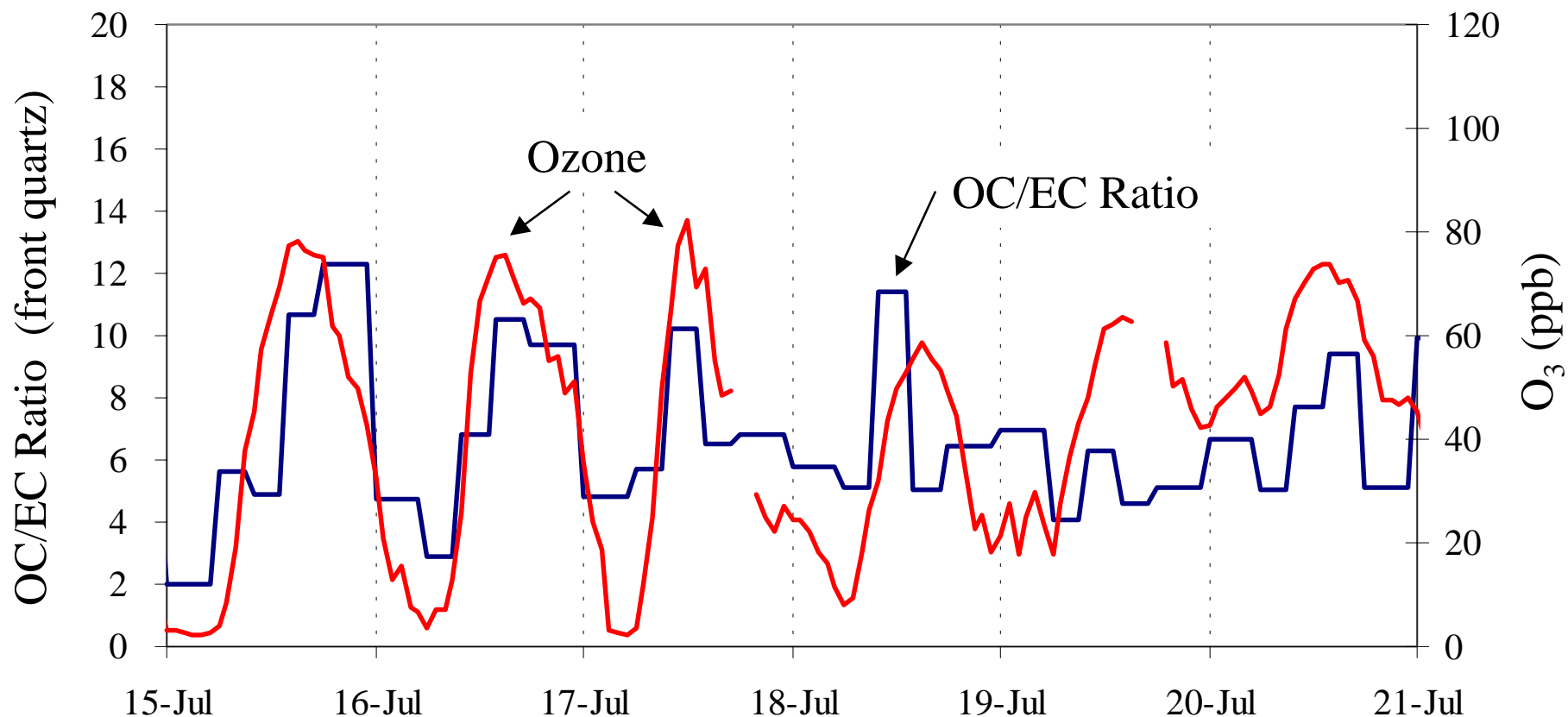
Undenuded Sampler
(4-6 hrs samples)

Denuded
In-situ Analyzer
(2-4 hrs samples)



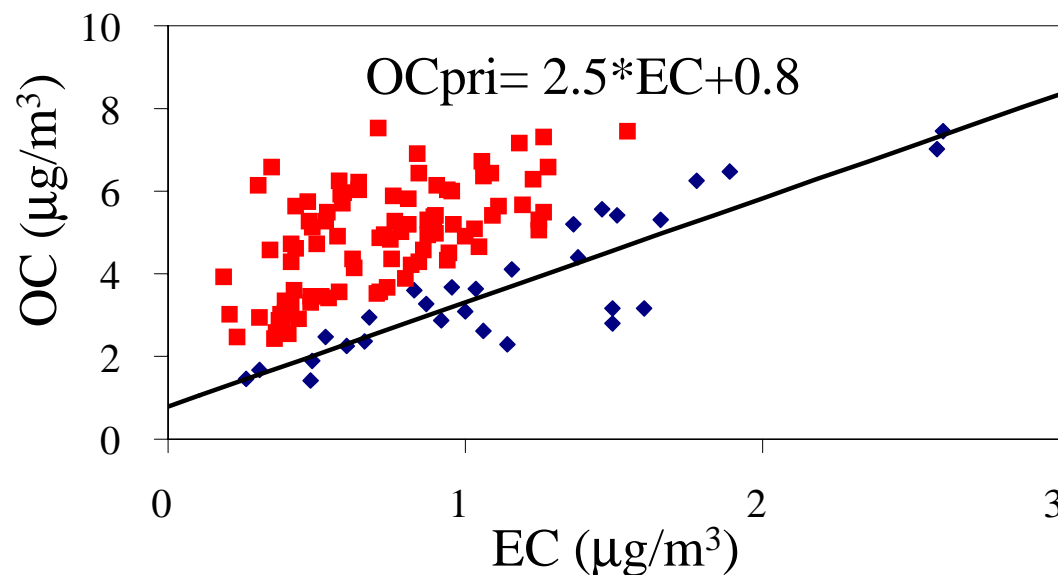


Ozone as indicator of Photochemical activity



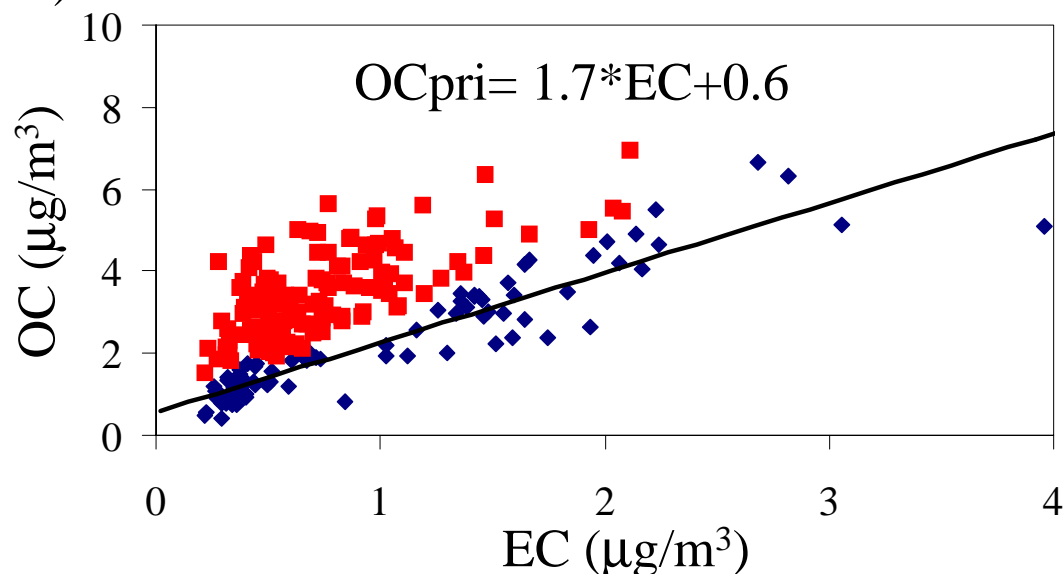


OC/EC Ratio from measurements, July 2001



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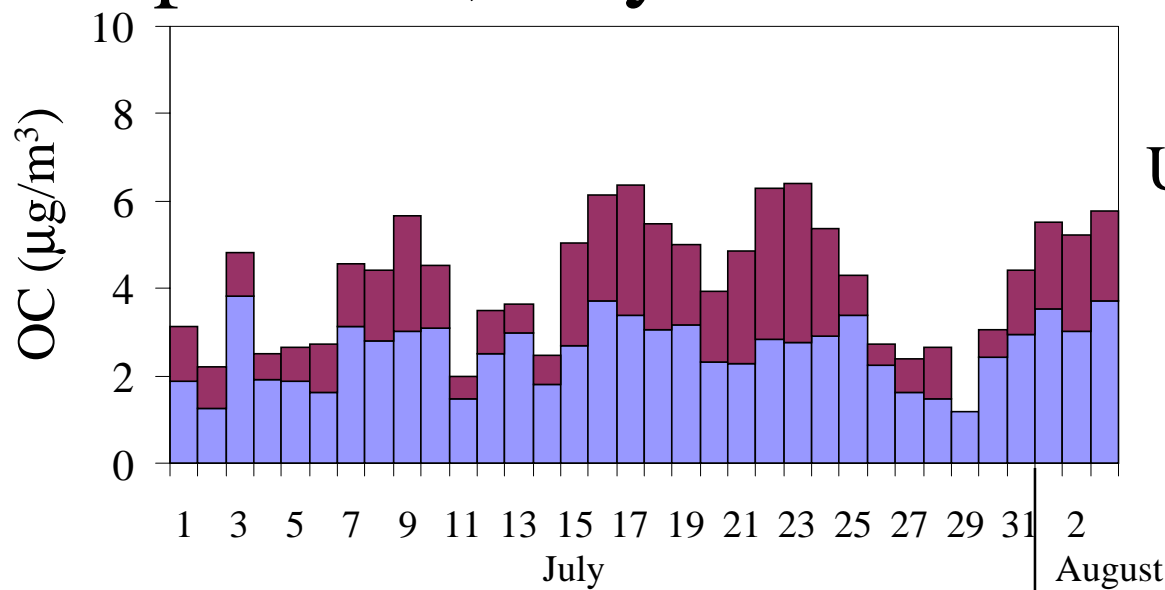


Primary OC/EC Ratios from high resolution measurements, July 2001

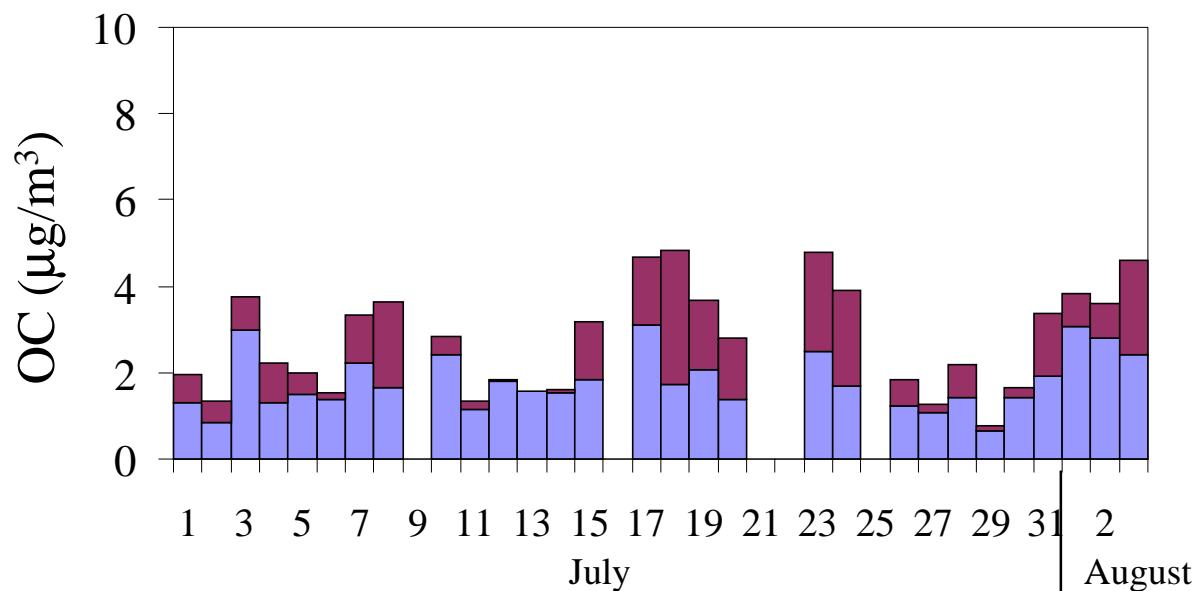
Measurement (2-6 hrs)	OC/EC pri	Non-combustion primary OC
Undenuded (front quartz)	2.5	0.8
Undenuded (front quartz –teflon quartz correction)	1.0	0.4
Undenuded (front quartz - backup quartz correction)	2.5	0.1
Denuded In-situ analyzer	1.8	0.4

Based on NIOSH method measurements

Daily Averaged OC Composition, July 2001

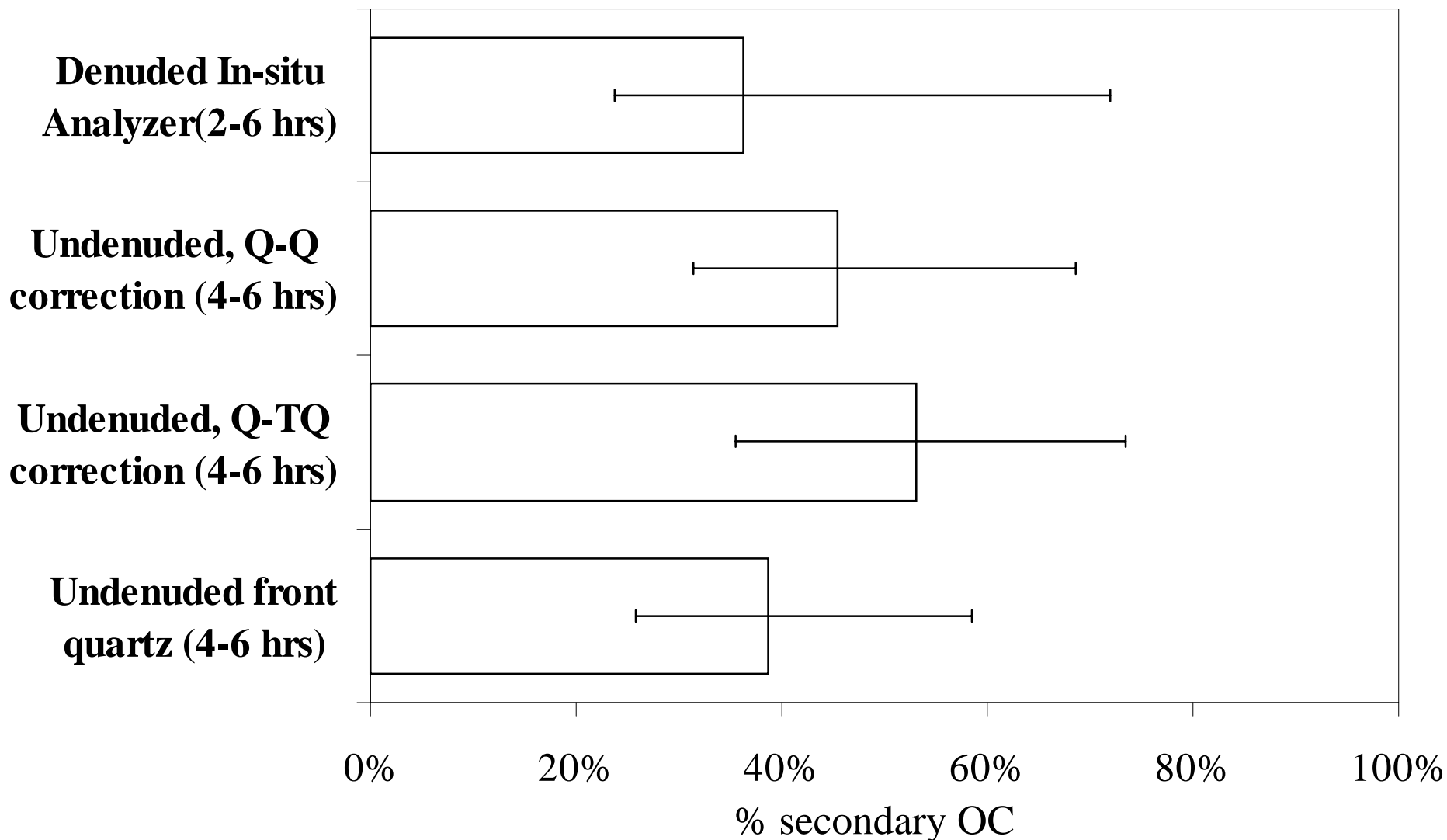


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In-situ Analyzer
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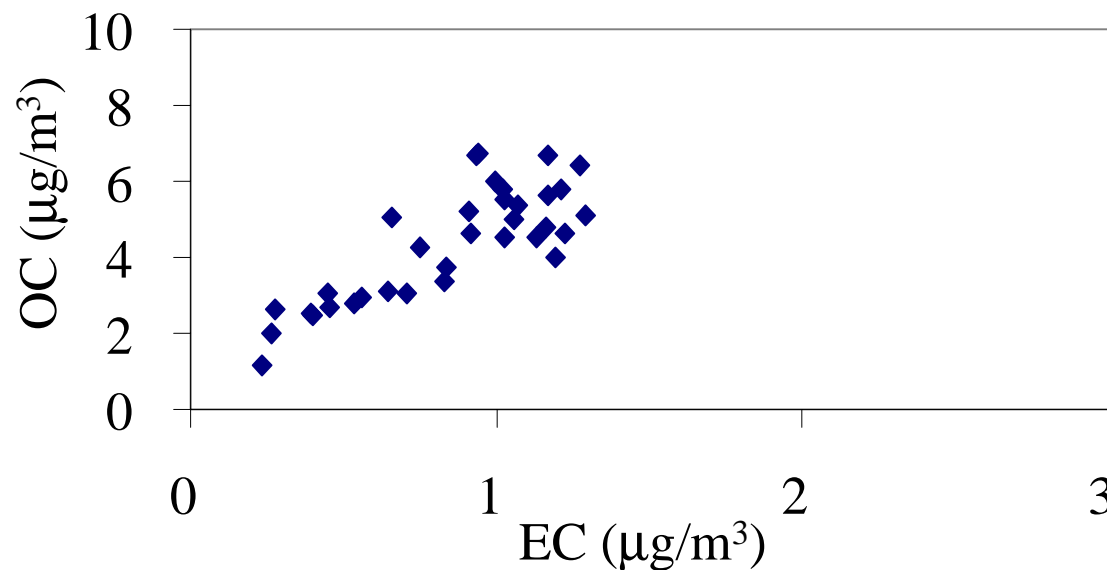


OC Composition, high resolution measurements, July 2001



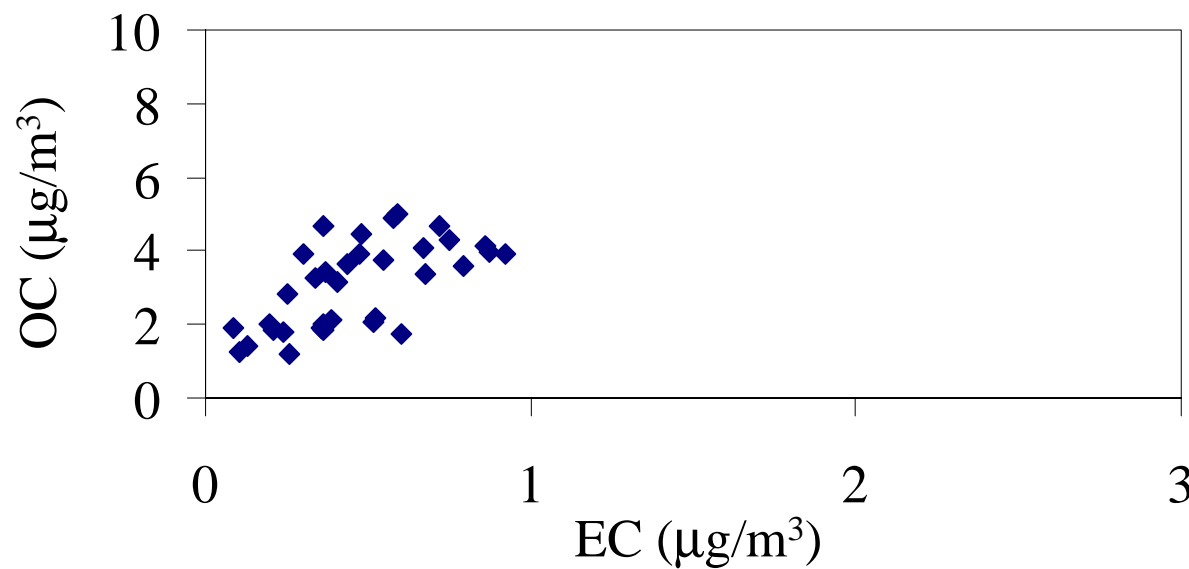


OC and EC Daily measurements, July 2001



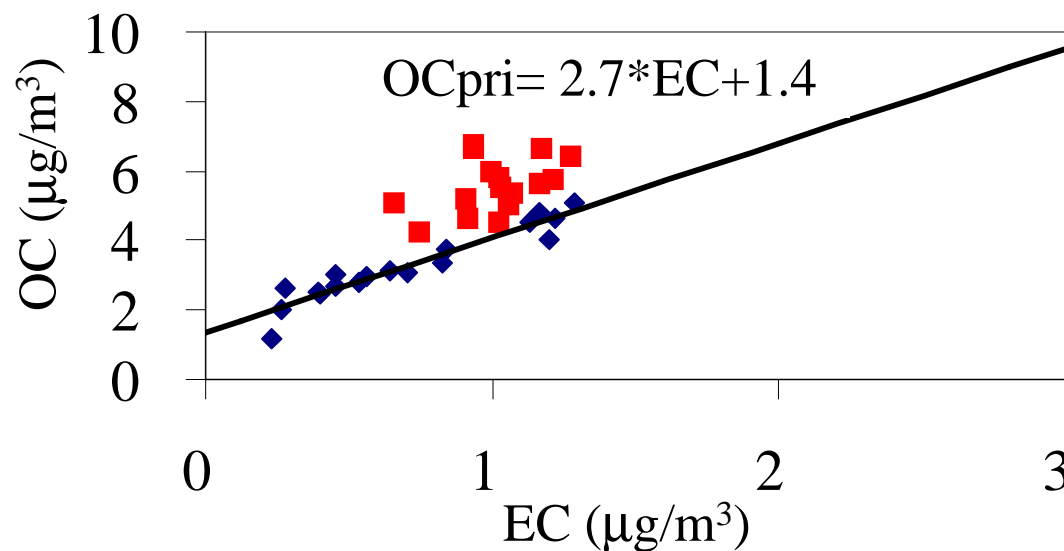
Undenuded Sampler
(24 hrs averages)

Denuded
Sampler
(24 hrs samples)



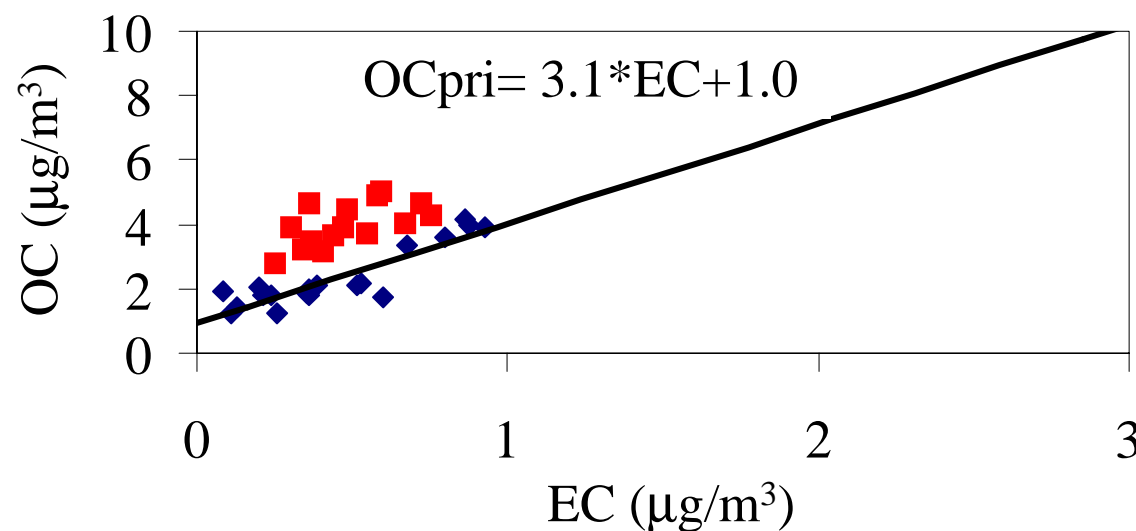


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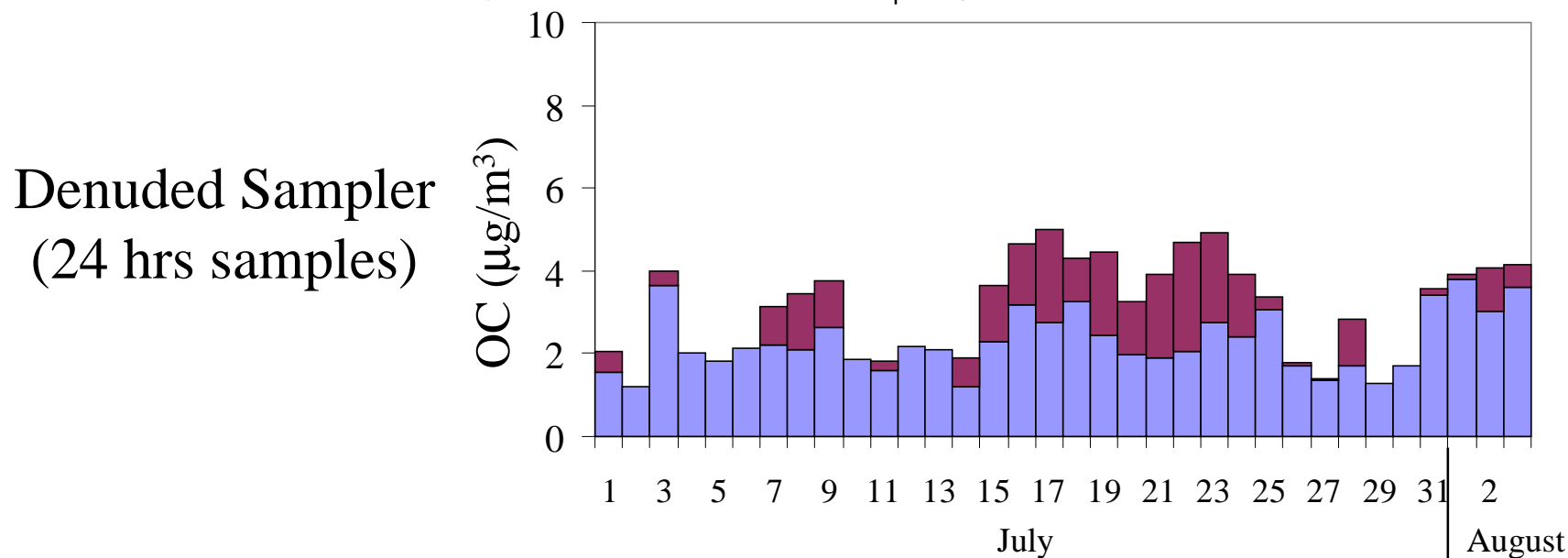
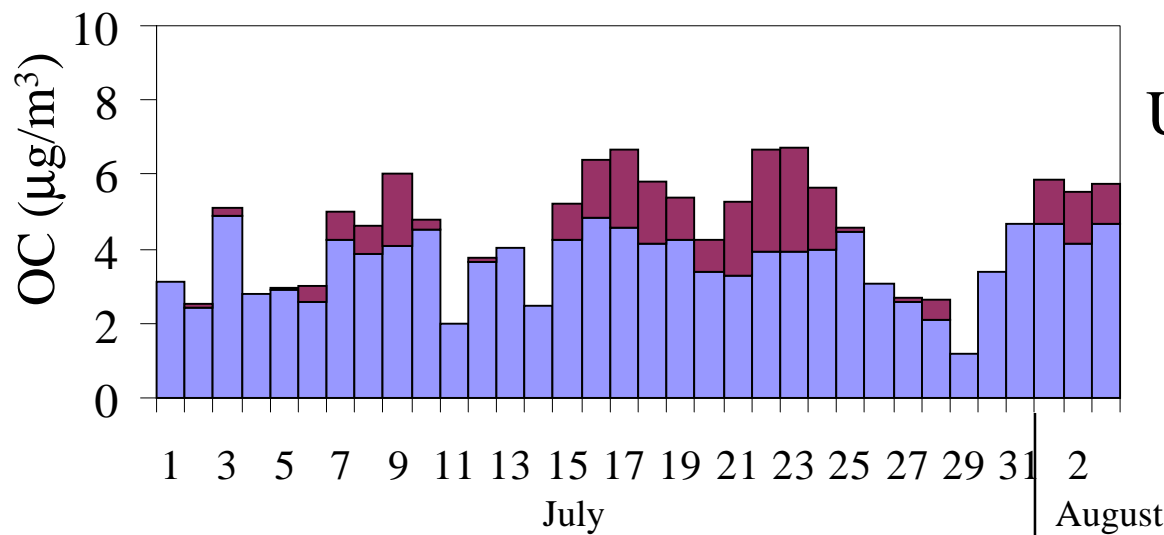


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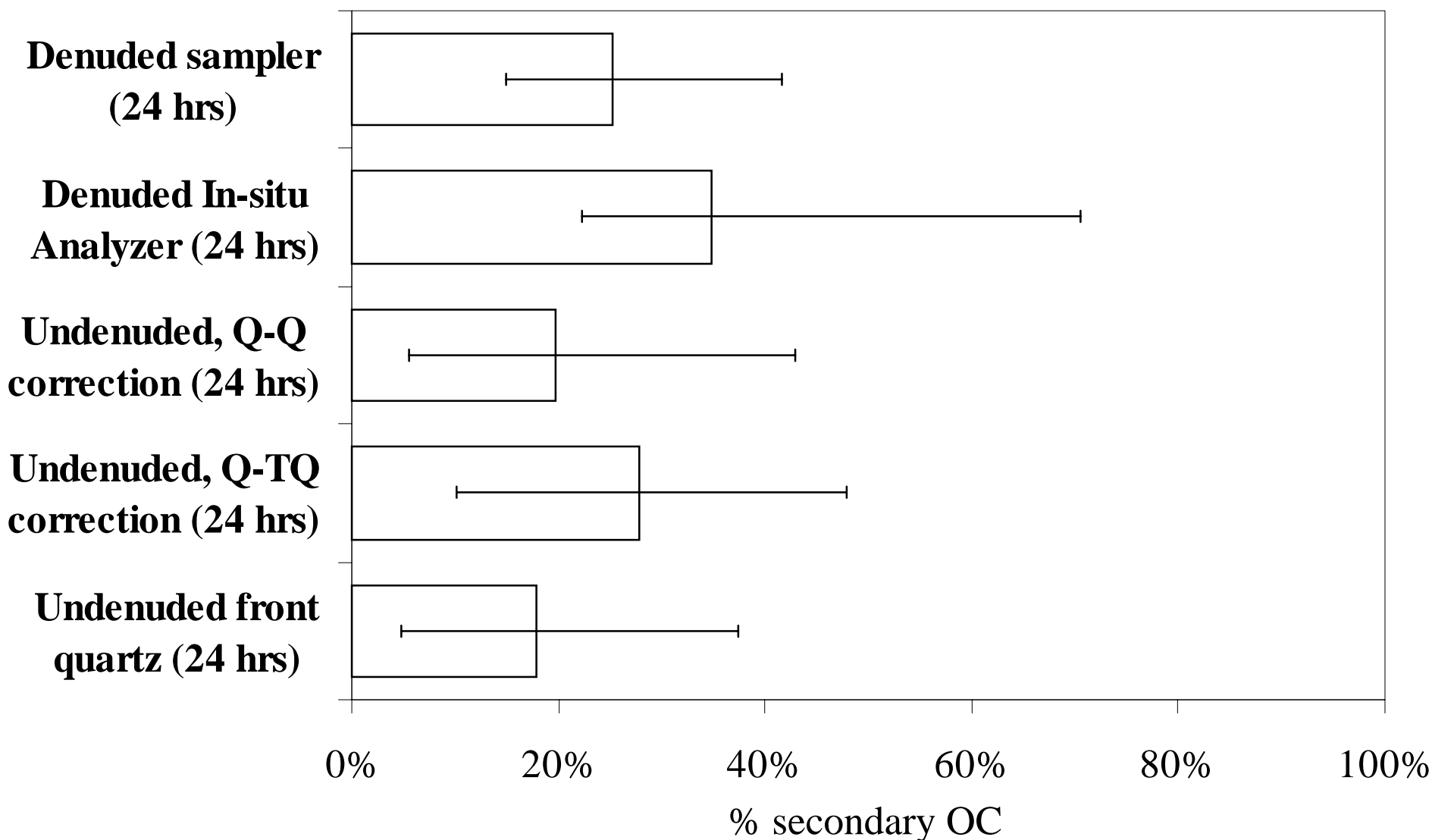


Daily OC Composition, July 2001





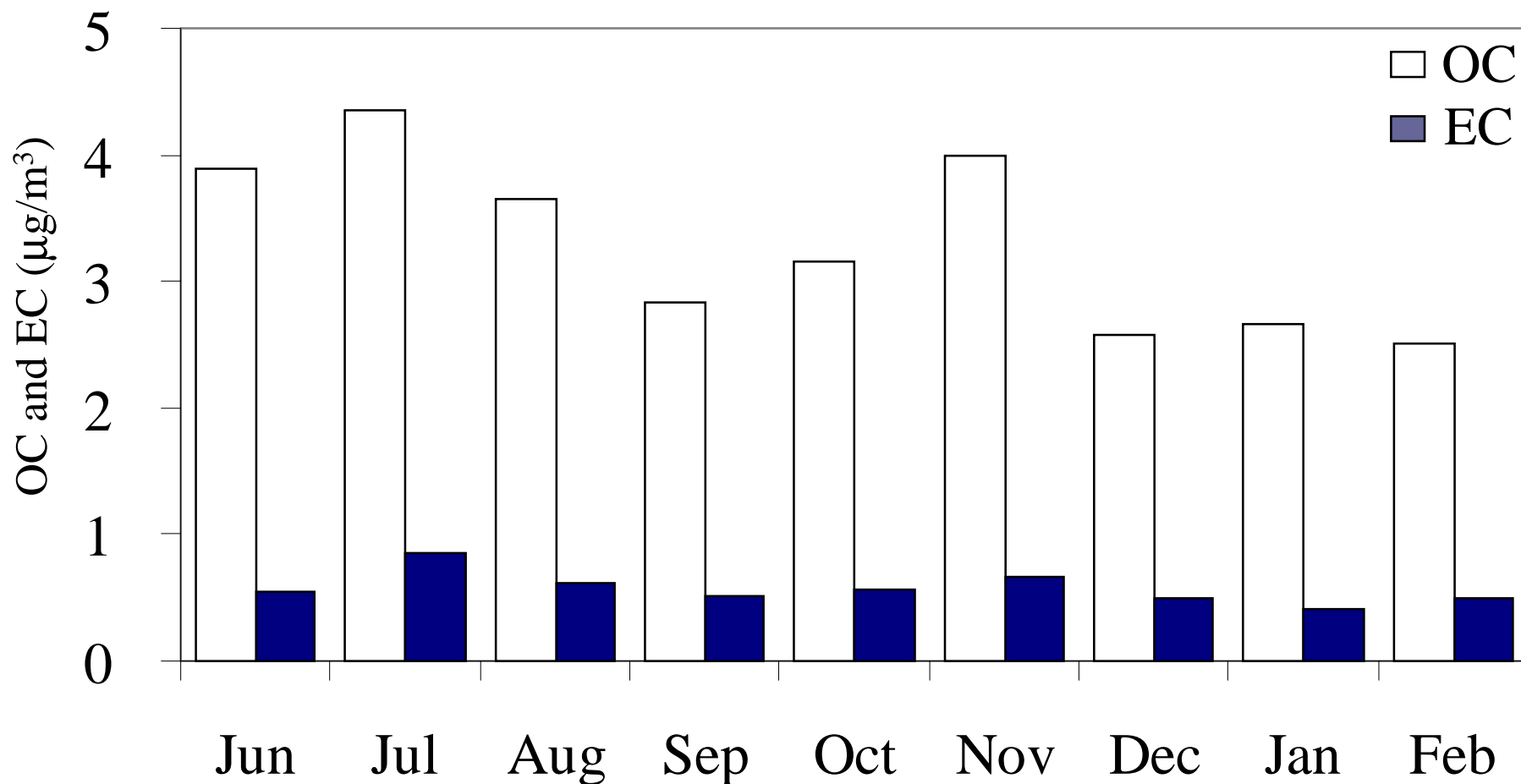
OC Composition, Daily Averages July





OC and EC measurements (front Quartz)

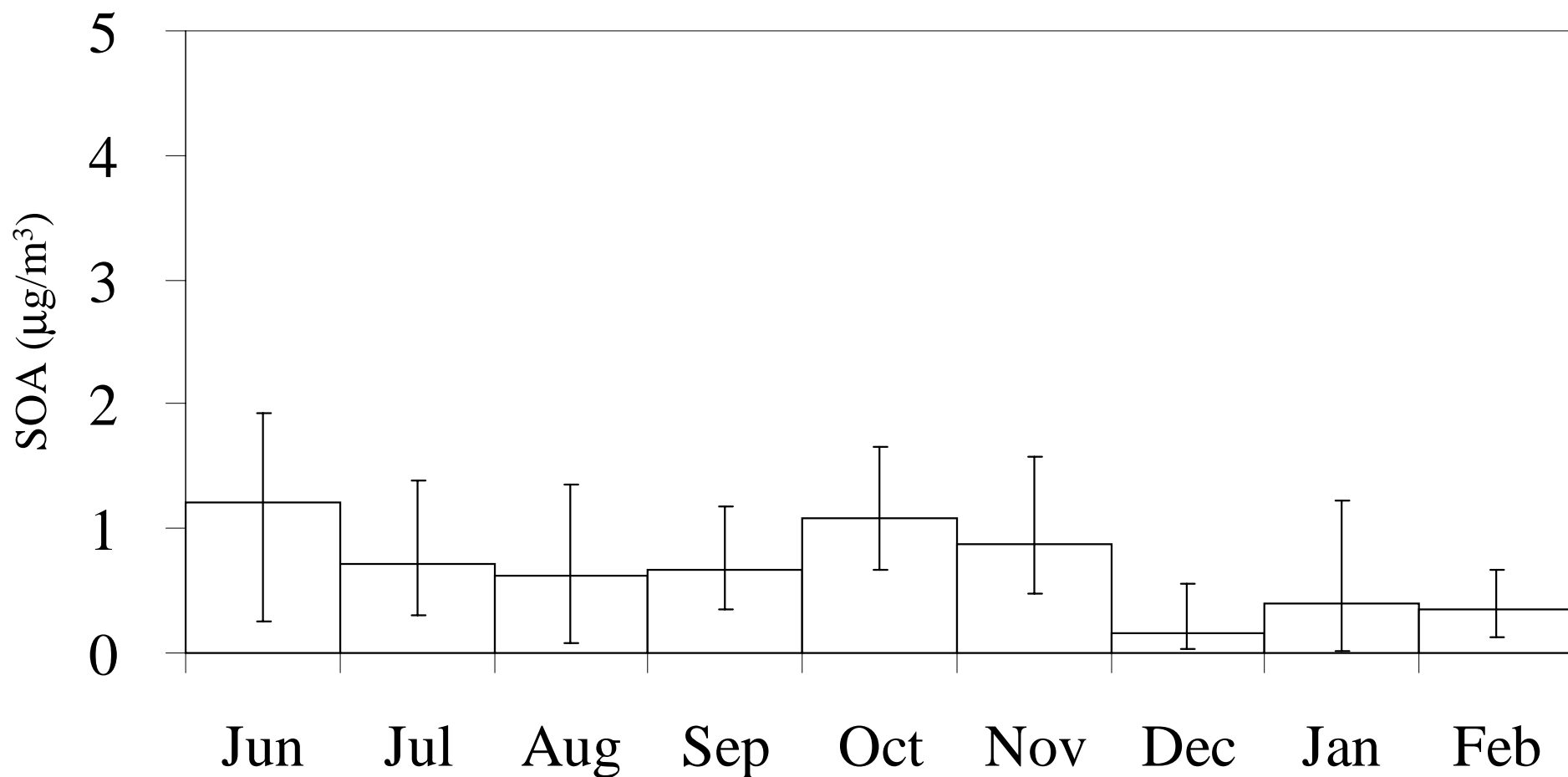
Monthly Averages (2001-2002)





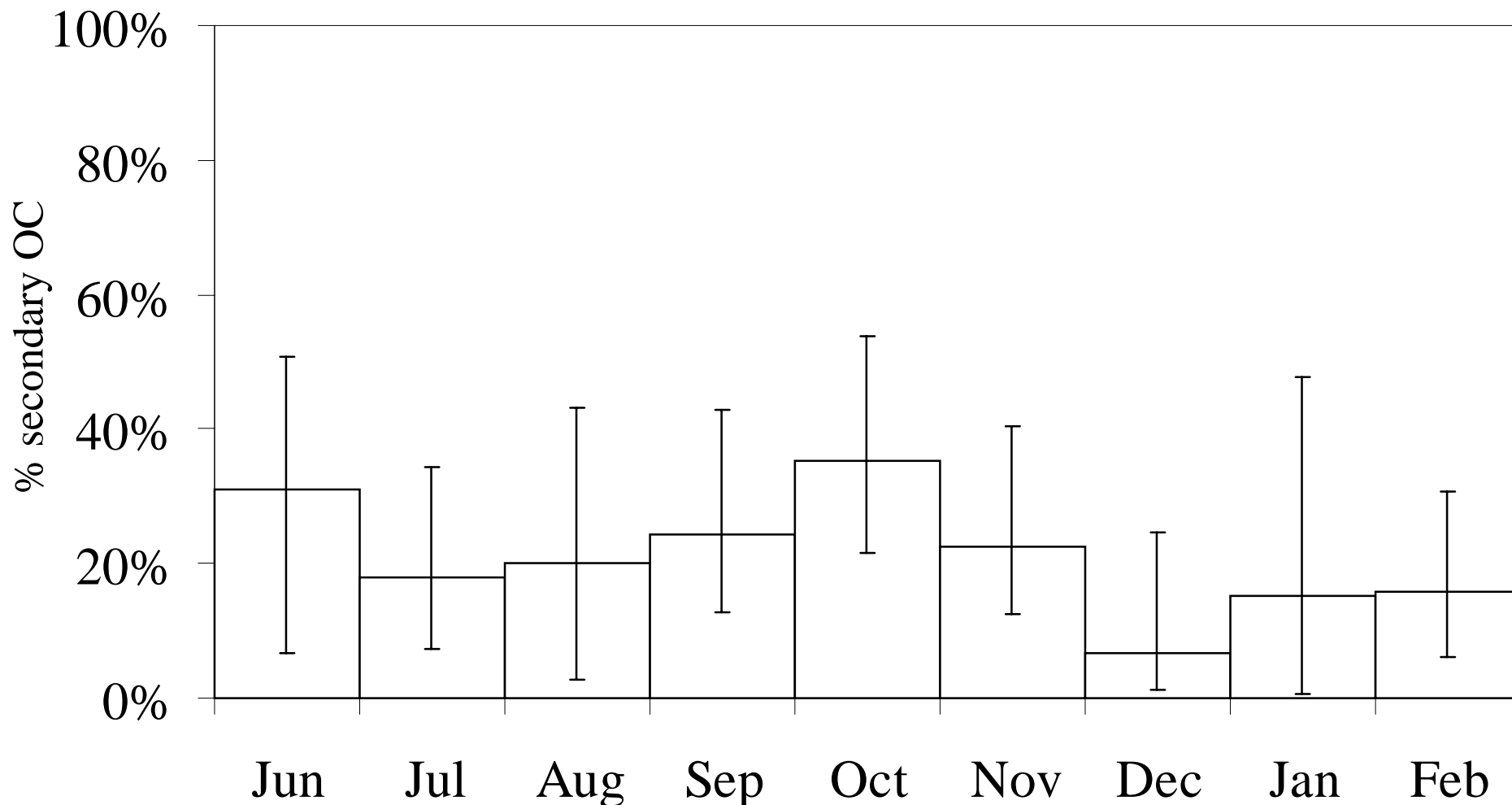
OC and EC measurements (front Quartz)

Monthly Averages (2001-2002)





OC Composition (front Quartz), Monthly Averages (2001-2002)





Conclusions

- More than 80% of carbonaceous material in Pittsburgh is caused by long range transport.
- 20% to 50% of OC concentration could be secondary in origin.
- Different approaches for OC/EC ratio measurement give relatively consistent results.
- Higher sampling frequency gives higher estimates of SOA. (Ability to identify periods of primary and secondary OC)



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